THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) to (c) The details of the receipt of foreign contribution by voluntary associations, including those in Rajasthan, the principal donors and the purpose-wise utilisation of the foreign contribution are contained in the Annual Report on receipt of foreign contribution by voluntary associations published by the Ministry of Home Affairs (Foreigners Division). Copies of the Annual Report upto 1998-99 are available in the Parliament Library. The report for the year 1999-2000 is under print, and the data for the year 2000-2001 is under compilation.

Purchase of Real Estate by terrorists in Delhi

2499. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that underworld operators, reportedly having links with terrorists, are buying real estate in Delhi;

(b) if so, the details of enquiries made in this regard; and

(c) the activities carried by them through their established bases in various parts of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) to (c) In the course of interrogation of the accused persons arrested by the Central Bureau of Investigation in connection with the case relating to the seizure of a cache of arms from Santhalpur in the Patan District of Gujarat, it was revealed that one of the accused persons had acquired a plot of land in Jaitpur area of Delhi in a benami transaction and was constructing a flat there. The accused person is in judicial custody at Patan, Gujarat.

Terrorist groups operating in India banned by the US

2500. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many terrorist organisations and groups have been banned by the US which are indulging in terrorist operations in India;

(b) how many Pakistan based terrorist groups are indulging in terrorist activities in India and the details thereof; and

(c) what are the steps proposed to be taken by Government to burst the terrorists networks in India and to stop global, regional and cross border terrorism?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) Under the U.S. President's Executive Order issued on 23rd September 2001, the U.S. Department of Treasury has notified Harkat-ul-Mujahideen and Jaish-e-Mohammad, as Specially Designated Global Terrorists. In addition, the U.S. State Department has separately designated Harkat-ul-Mujahideen and Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam. (LTTE) as a "Foreign Terrorist Organisation" and Jaish-e-Mohammed, Lashkar-e-Toiba and Harkat-ul-Jehadi-Islami as "Other Terrorist Organisations."

(b) The major Pakistan based Pak-Islamic Jehadi terrorist outfits are Hizbul-Mujahideen (HM), Lasker-e-Toiba (LeT), Harkat-ul-Mujahideen (HUM), Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM), Al-Umar-Mujahideen (AUM), Al-Badr and Jammu & Kashmir Islamic Front (JKIF) etc.

In addition, Babbar Khalsa International (BKI), International Sikh Youth Federation (ISYF-Rode), Khalistan Zindabad Force (KZF) and Khalistan Commondo Force (KCF) are the major Punjab terrorist outfits operating from Pakistan.

(c) To contain cross border terrorism perpetrated by the Pak-ISI, the Government have adopted a coordinated and multi-pronged approach for tackling the activities of militants which includes strengthening of border management to check illegal cross-border activities, gearing up of intelligence machinery, close interaction between different agencies of the Centre and the State Governments, neutralizing plans of militants and anti-national elements by coordinated action, modernization and upgradation of police and security forces with advanced sophisticated weapons and communication system, etc.

Government has promulgated Prevention of Terrorism Ordinance, 2001 (POTO) under which 25 organisations have already been declared as Terrorist Organisations.

The Government has taken measures to comply with the United Nations Security Council Resolution No. 1373 dated 28.9.2001 which requires Member States to undertake comprehensive measures to deal with the problem of terrorism. These measures include suppression of financing of terrorism, and ensuring that any person who finances, plans, prepares for or perpetrates terrorist acts or supports such acts is brought to justice.

Government has also sponsored a compreshensive convention on International Terrorism in the United Nations which has been well received by the International community.

Interrorgation of families of September, 11 terrorist attacks suspects by FBI in India

2501. SHRI C.O. POULOSE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a team of the FBI of the USA came in India to interrogate the families of two suspects, living in Hyderabad, arrested by the United States in connection with the September, 11 terrorist attackes;

(b) if so, whether the foreign police agency could directly question Indian citizens and make investigations about their background; and

(c) why the Government is compromising the sovereign jurisdictional authority of Indian State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) to (c) Officers from the Legal Attache Office in the US Embassy in New Delhi visited Hyderabad and collected information from the Andhra Pradesh Police and made enquiries with the families of two suspects arrested by the US Police. Their visit was coordinated by the Interpol Branch of the Central Bureau of Investigation.